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REMARKS

Claims 10-13 and 19 are withdrawn herein. Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1-9, 14-18, and 20-22 will be pending for consideration in this application.

In response to the Species Election Request mailed November 3, 2005, please enter the following elections.

From the "Prosthesis" Group, applicant elects Species F consisting of Figures 32 and 33 for prosecution on the merits. Claims 1-9, and 14 read on Figures 32 and 33.

From the "Method of Implanting" Group, applicant elects Species C consisting of Figures 18A-18P. Claims 20-22 read on Figures 18A-18P.

From the "Assemblies" Group, applicant elects Species A consisting of Figures 40A and 40B. Claims 15-18 read on Figures 40A and 40B.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, allowance of the application is respectfully requested. The undersigned requests a telephone call from the Examiner if this would expedite allowance of the application.

Applicants do not believe that any fee is required by the timely submission of this response. In any case, the Commissioner is requested to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1345 in the name of Senniger Powers.

Respectfully submitted,



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